

Trinity River Restoration Program

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Seth Naman, Chair Trinity Management Council c/o Trinity River Restoration Program P.O. Box 1300 Weaverville, CA 96093

Dear Mr. Naman:

The Trinity Adaptive Management Working Group (TAMWG) met on September 26-27, 2016 in Weaverville. This letter serves to provide you with a summary of that meeting and our resulting policy and management recommendations, as required by TAMWG's bylaws.

Joe Polos, our Designated Federal Officer, noted that Liam Gogan and Sandy Denn have both resigned their positions on TAMWG. Please note that Travis Michel, Mr. Gogan's alternate, will not be the primary TAMWG member representing the fishing guides. The TAMWG's charter will expire at the end of this year, and we working on this renewal. The action tracker is up to date; please find it on the TAMWG's website for a summary of our motions and your responses.

We appreciated the Trinity Management Council (TMC) update you provided our group. We have concerns regarding your proposed bylaw changes and provide the following recommendation:

The TAMWG recommends that the TMC change its bylaws in the following 7 ways:

- 1. Reject the proposal to vote during telephone conference call meetings unless the public is allowed to participate and there is public notice on the TRRP website of at least 2 weeks before the teleconference call meetings;
- 2. Change bylaws (Section 605a) to eliminate mail/email voting of TMC matters;
- 3. Shift the voting process (Section 603) from a supermajority to a simple majority (CDR, p. 26);
- 4. Require a TMC member with a specific programmatic or financial interest in the outcome of a decision by that body to recuse themselves (CDR, p. 27) from discussion and voting;
- 5. Enlarge the number of voting members on the TMC to provide for a broader representation of interests (CDR, p. 27);
- 6. Add Trinity Adaptive Management Working Group Chairman as a voting TMC member; and
- 7. Remove "unanimous" from Section 300.